GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION
LOK SABHA

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SCHEME FOR NIGHT SHELTERS
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Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has introduced any scheme to provide night shelters to the homeless and other persons spending their nights on the city footpaths;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the amount released therefor during the last three years,State-wise;and

(d) the names of the cities where the said scheme is being run presently?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING & URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION(KUMARI SELJA)

(a)to(d): The Central Government had introduced a Centrally Sponsored Community Night Shelter Scheme in 1988-89 to provide night shelter and pay and use toilet facilities to all urban shelterless.However,the scheme has been transferred to the State Sector with effect from 1.4.2005 and no allocation or release has been made by the Central Government from 2005-06 onwards.